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	DNA92225-2603	203950	April 20, 1999
	DNA92232-2589	203895	March 30, 1999
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	DNA92254-2672	PTA-259	June 22, 1999
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	DNA93020-2642	PTA-121	May 25, 1999
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	DNA94844-2686	PTA-385	July 20, 1999
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	DNA96871-2683	PTA-381	July 20, 1999
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	DNA100312-2645	PTA-44	May 11, 1999
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	DNA105838-2702	PTA-476	August 3, 1999
	DNA107698-2715	PTA-472	August 3, 1999
	DNA107701-2711	PTA-487	August 3, 1999
	DNA107781-2707	PTA-484	August 3, 1999
10	DNA108670-2744	PTA-546	August 17, 1999
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	DNA108769-2765	PTA-861	October 19, 1999
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	DNA110700-2716	PTA-512	August 10, 1999
15	DNA111750-2706	PTA-489	August 3, 1999
	DNA123430-2755	PTA-614	August 31, 1999
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	DNA28497-1130	209279	September 18, 1997
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	DNA33473-1176	209391	October 17, 1997
40	DNA33785-1143	209417	October 28, 1997
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	DNA57530-1375	209880	May 20, 1998
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	DNA59488-1603	203157	August 25, 1998
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	DNA64905-1558	203233	September 15, 1998
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25	DNA66309-1538	203235	September 15, 1998
	DNA66667-1596	203267	September 22, 1998
	DNA66675-1587	203282	September 22, 1998
	DNA68818-2536	203657	February 9, 1999
	DNA68864-1629	203276	September 22, 1998
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	DNA71159-1617	203135	August 18, 1998
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	DNA73739-1645	203270	September 22, 1998
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	DNA76538-1670	203313	October 6, 1998
	DNA77301-1708	203407	October 27, 1998
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	DNA79862-2522	203550	December 22, 1998
	DNA80145-2594	PTA-204	June 8, 1999
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	DNA84917-2597	203863	March 23, 1999
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	DNA96042-2682	PTA-382	July 20, 1999

These deposits were made under the provisions of the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purpose of Patent Procedure and the Regulations thereunder (Budapest Treaty). This assures maintenance of a viable culture of the deposit for 30 years from the date of deposit. The deposits will be made available by ATCC under the terms of the Budapest Treaty, and subject to an agreement between Genentech, Inc. and ATCC, which assures permanent and unrestricted availability of the progeny of

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The assignee of the present application has agreed that if a culture of the materials on deposit should die or be lost or destroyed when cultivated under suitable conditions, the materials will be promptly replaced on notification with another of the same. Availability of the deposited material is not to be construed as a license to practice the invention in contravention of the rights granted under the authority of any government in accordance with its patent laws.

EXAMPLE 5: Use of PRO as a hybridization probe

The following method describes use of a nucleotide sequence encoding PRO as a hybridization probe.

DNA comprising the coding sequence of full-length or mature PRO as disclosed herein is employed as a probe to screen for homologous DNAs (such as those encoding naturally-occurring variants of PRO) in human tissue cDNA libraries or human tissue genomic libraries.

Hybridization and washing of filters containing either library DNAs is performed under the following high stringency conditions. Hybridization of radiolabeled PRO-derived probe to the filters is performed in a solution of 50% formamide, 5x SSC, 0.1% SDS, 0.1% sodium pyrophosphate, 50 mM sodium phosphate, pH 6.8, 2x Denhardt's solution, and 10% dextran sulfate at 42°C for 20 hours. Washing of the filters is performed in an aqueous solution of 0.1x SSC and 0.1% SDS at 42°C.

DNAs having a desired sequence identity with the DNA encoding full-length native sequence PRO can then be identified using standard techniques known in the art.

EXAMPLE 6: Expression of PRO in *E. coli*

This example illustrates preparation of an unglycosylated form of PRO by recombinant expression in *E. coli*.

The DNA sequence encoding PRO is initially amplified using selected PCR primers. The primers should contain restriction enzyme sites which correspond to the restriction enzyme sites on the selected expression vector. A variety of expression vectors may be employed. An example of a suitable vector is pBR322 (derived from *E. coli*; see Bolivar et al., *Gene*, 2:95 (1977)) which contains genes for ampicillin and tetracycline resistance. The vector is digested with restriction enzyme and dephosphorylated. The PCR amplified sequences are then ligated into the vector. The vector will preferably include sequences which encode for an antibiotic resistance gene, a trp promoter, a polyhis leader (including the first six STII codons, polyhis sequence, and enterokinase cleavage site), the PRO coding region, lambda transcriptional terminator, and an argU gene.

The ligation mixture is then used to transform a selected *E. coli* strain using the methods described in Sambrook et al., *supra*. Transformants are identified by their ability to grow on LB plates and antibiotic resistant

colonies are then selected. Plasmid DNA can be isolated and confirmed by restriction analysis and DNA sequencing.

Selected clones can be grown overnight in liquid culture medium such as LB broth supplemented with antibiotics. The overnight culture may subsequently be used to inoculate a larger scale culture. The cells are then grown to a desired optical density, during which the expression promoter is turned on.

5 After culturing the cells for several more hours, the cells can be harvested by centrifugation. The cell pellet obtained by the centrifugation can be solubilized using various agents known in the art, and the solubilized PRO protein can then be purified using a metal chelating column under conditions that allow tight binding of the protein.

10 PRO may be expressed in *E. coli* in a poly-His tagged form, using the following procedure. The DNA encoding PRO is initially amplified using selected PCR primers. The primers will contain restriction enzyme sites which correspond to the restriction enzyme sites on the selected expression vector, and other useful sequences providing for efficient and reliable translation initiation, rapid purification on a metal chelation column, and proteolytic removal with enterokinase. The PCR-amplified, poly-His tagged sequences are then ligated into an expression vector, which is used to transform an *E. coli* host based on strain 52 (W3110
15 fuhA(tonA) lon galE rpoHts(htpRts) clpP(lacIq). Transformants are first grown in LB containing 50 mg/ml carbenicillin at 30°C with shaking until an O.D. 600 of 3-5 is reached. Cultures are then diluted 50-100 fold into CRAP media (prepared by mixing 3.57 g (NH₄)₂SO₄, 0.71 g sodium citrate•2H₂O, 1.07 g KCl, 5.36 g Difco yeast extract, 5.36 g Sheffield hycase SF in 500 mL water, as well as 110 mM MPOS, pH 7.3, 0.55% (w/v) glucose and 7 mM MgSO₄) and grown for approximately 20-30 hours at 30°C with shaking. Samples are
20 removed to verify expression by SDS-PAGE analysis, and the bulk culture is centrifuged to pellet the cells. Cell pellets are frozen until purification and refolding.

E. coli paste from 0.5 to 1 L fermentations (6-10 g pellets) is resuspended in 10 volumes (w/v) in 7 M guanidine, 20 mM Tris, pH 8 buffer. Solid sodium sulfite and sodium tetrathionate is added to make final concentrations of 0.1M and 0.02 M, respectively, and the solution is stirred overnight at 4°C. This step results
25 in a denatured protein with all cysteine residues blocked by sulfitolization. The solution is centrifuged at 40,000 rpm in a Beckman Ultracentrifuge for 30 min. The supernatant is diluted with 3-5 volumes of metal chelate column buffer (6 M guanidine, 20 mM Tris, pH 7.4) and filtered through 0.22 micron filters to clarify. The clarified extract is loaded onto a 5 ml Qiagen Ni-NTA metal chelate column equilibrated in the metal chelate column buffer. The column is washed with additional buffer containing 50 mM imidazole (Calbiochem, Utrol grade), pH 7.4. The protein is eluted with buffer containing 250 mM imidazole. Fractions containing the
30 desired protein are pooled and stored at 4°C. Protein concentration is estimated by its absorbance at 280 nm using the calculated extinction coefficient based on its amino acid sequence.

The proteins are refolded by diluting the sample slowly into freshly prepared refolding buffer consisting of: 20 mM Tris, pH 8.6, 0.3 M NaCl, 2.5 M urea, 5 mM cysteine, 20 mM glycine and 1 mM EDTA.
35 Refolding volumes are chosen so that the final protein concentration is between 50 to 100 micrograms/ml. The refolding solution is stirred gently at 4°C for 12-36 hours. The refolding reaction is quenched by the addition of TFA to a final concentration of 0.4% (pH of approximately 3). Before further purification of the protein, the

solution is filtered through a 0.22 micron filter and acetonitrile is added to 2-10% final concentration. The refolded protein is chromatographed on a Poros R1/H reversed phase column using a mobile buffer of 0.1% TFA with elution with a gradient of acetonitrile from 10 to 80%. Aliquots of fractions with A280 absorbance are analyzed on SDS polyacrylamide gels and fractions containing homogeneous refolded protein are pooled. Generally, the properly refolded species of most proteins are eluted at the lowest concentrations of acetonitrile since those species are the most compact with their hydrophobic interiors shielded from interaction with the reversed phase resin. Aggregated species are usually eluted at higher acetonitrile concentrations. In addition to resolving misfolded forms of proteins from the desired form, the reversed phase step also removes endotoxin from the samples.

Fractions containing the desired folded PRO polypeptide are pooled and the acetonitrile removed using a gentle stream of nitrogen directed at the solution. Proteins are formulated into 20 mM Hepes, pH 6.8 with 0.14 M sodium chloride and 4% mannitol by dialysis or by gel filtration using G25 Superfine (Pharmacia) resins equilibrated in the formulation buffer and sterile filtered.

Many of the PRO polypeptides disclosed herein were successfully expressed as described above.

EXAMPLE 7: Expression of PRO in mammalian cells

This example illustrates preparation of a potentially glycosylated form of PRO by recombinant expression in mammalian cells.

The vector, pRK5 (see EP 307,247, published March 15, 1989), is employed as the expression vector. Optionally, the PRO DNA is ligated into pRK5 with selected restriction enzymes to allow insertion of the PRO DNA using ligation methods such as described in Sambrook et al., *supra*. The resulting vector is called pRK5-PRO.

In one embodiment, the selected host cells may be 293 cells. Human 293 cells (ATCC CCL 1573) are grown to confluence in tissue culture plates in medium such as DMEM supplemented with fetal calf serum and optionally, nutrient components and/or antibiotics. About 10 μ g pRK5-PRO DNA is mixed with about 1 μ g DNA encoding the VA RNA gene [Thimmappaya et al., *Cell*, 31:543 (1982)] and dissolved in 500 μ l of 1 mM Tris-HCl, 0.1 mM EDTA, 0.227 M CaCl_2 . To this mixture is added, dropwise, 500 μ l of 50 mM HEPES (pH 7.35), 280 mM NaCl, 1.5 mM NaPO_4 , and a precipitate is allowed to form for 10 minutes at 25°C. The precipitate is suspended and added to the 293 cells and allowed to settle for about four hours at 37°C. The culture medium is aspirated off and 2 ml of 20% glycerol in PBS is added for 30 seconds. The 293 cells are then washed with serum free medium, fresh medium is added and the cells are incubated for about 5 days.

Approximately 24 hours after the transfections, the culture medium is removed and replaced with culture medium (alone) or culture medium containing 200 μ Ci/ml ^{35}S -cysteine and 200 μ Ci/ml ^{35}S -methionine. After a 12 hour incubation, the conditioned medium is collected, concentrated on a spin filter, and loaded onto a 15% SDS gel. The processed gel may be dried and exposed to film for a selected period of time to reveal the presence of PRO polypeptide. The cultures containing transfected cells may undergo further incubation (in serum free medium) and the medium is tested in selected bioassays.

In an alternative technique, PRO may be introduced into 293 cells transiently using the dextran sulfate method described by Sompanyrac et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci., 12:7575 (1981). 293 cells are grown to maximal density in a spinner flask and 700 μ g pRK5-PRO DNA is added. The cells are first concentrated from the spinner flask by centrifugation and washed with PBS. The DNA-dextran precipitate is incubated on the cell pellet for four hours. The cells are treated with 20% glycerol for 90 seconds, washed with tissue culture medium, and re-introduced into the spinner flask containing tissue culture medium, 5 μ g/ml bovine insulin and 0.1 μ g/ml bovine transferrin. After about four days, the conditioned media is centrifuged and filtered to remove cells and debris. The sample containing expressed PRO can then be concentrated and purified by any selected method, such as dialysis and/or column chromatography.

In another embodiment, PRO can be expressed in CHO cells. The pRK5-PRO can be transfected into CHO cells using known reagents such as CaPO₄ or DEAE-dextran. As described above, the cell cultures can be incubated, and the medium replaced with culture medium (alone) or medium containing a radiolabel such as ³⁵S-methionine. After determining the presence of PRO polypeptide, the culture medium may be replaced with serum free medium. Preferably, the cultures are incubated for about 6 days, and then the conditioned medium is harvested. The medium containing the expressed PRO can then be concentrated and purified by any selected method.

Epitope-tagged PRO may also be expressed in host CHO cells. The PRO may be subcloned out of the pRK5 vector. The subclone insert can undergo PCR to fuse in frame with a selected epitope tag such as a poly-his tag into a Baculovirus expression vector. The poly-his tagged PRO insert can then be subcloned into a SV40 driven vector containing a selection marker such as DHFR for selection of stable clones. Finally, the CHO cells can be transfected (as described above) with the SV40 driven vector. Labeling may be performed, as described above, to verify expression. The culture medium containing the expressed poly-His tagged PRO can then be concentrated and purified by any selected method, such as by Ni²⁺-chelate affinity chromatography.

PRO may also be expressed in CHO and/or COS cells by a transient expression procedure or in CHO cells by another stable expression procedure.

Stable expression in CHO cells is performed using the following procedure. The proteins are expressed as an IgG construct (immunoadhesin), in which the coding sequences for the soluble forms (e.g. extracellular domains) of the respective proteins are fused to an IgG1 constant region sequence containing the hinge, CH2 and CH2 domains and/or is a poly-His tagged form.

Following PCR amplification, the respective DNAs are subcloned in a CHO expression vector using standard techniques as described in Ausubel et al., Current Protocols of Molecular Biology, Unit 3.16, John Wiley and Sons (1997). CHO expression vectors are constructed to have compatible restriction sites 5' and 3' of the DNA of interest to allow the convenient shuttling of cDNA's. The vector used expression in CHO cells is as described in Lucas et al., Nucl. Acids Res. 24:9 (1774-1779) (1996), and uses the SV40 early promoter/enhancer to drive expression of the cDNA of interest and dihydrofolate reductase (DHFR). DHFR expression permits selection for stable maintenance of the plasmid following transfection.

Twelve micrograms of the desired plasmid DNA is introduced into approximately 10 million CHO cells using commercially available transfection reagents Superfect[®] (Quiagen), Dosper[®] or Fugene[®] (Boehringer

Mannheim). The cells are grown as described in Lucas et al., *supra*. Approximately 3×10^7 cells are frozen in an ampule for further growth and production as described below.

The ampules containing the plasmid DNA are thawed by placement into water bath and mixed by vortexing. The contents are pipetted into a centrifuge tube containing 10 mLs of media and centrifuged at 1000 rpm for 5 minutes. The supernatant is aspirated and the cells are resuspended in 10 mL of selective media (0.2 μ m filtered PS20 with 5% 0.2 μ m diafiltered fetal bovine serum). The cells are then aliquoted into a 100 mL spinner containing 90 mL of selective media. After 1-2 days, the cells are transferred into a 250 mL spinner filled with 150 mL selective growth medium and incubated at 37°C. After another 2-3 days, 250 mL, 500 mL and 2000 mL spinners are seeded with 3×10^5 cells/mL. The cell media is exchanged with fresh media by centrifugation and resuspension in production medium. Although any suitable CHO media may be employed, a production medium described in U.S. Patent No. 5,122,469, issued June 16, 1992 may actually be used. A 3L production spinner is seeded at 1.2×10^6 cells/mL. On day 0, the cell number pH is determined. On day 1, the spinner is sampled and sparging with filtered air is commenced. On day 2, the spinner is sampled, the temperature shifted to 33°C, and 30 mL of 500 g/L glucose and 0.6 mL of 10% antifoam (e.g., 35% polydimethylsiloxane emulsion, Dow Corning 365 Medical Grade Emulsion) taken. Throughout the production, the pH is adjusted as necessary to keep it at around 7.2. After 10 days, or until the viability dropped below 70%, the cell culture is harvested by centrifugation and filtering through a 0.22 μ m filter. The filtrate was either stored at 4°C or immediately loaded onto columns for purification.

For the poly-His tagged constructs, the proteins are purified using a Ni-NTA column (Qiagen). Before purification, imidazole is added to the conditioned media to a concentration of 5 mM. The conditioned media is pumped onto a 6 ml Ni-NTA column equilibrated in 20 mM Hepes, pH 7.4, buffer containing 0.3 M NaCl and 5 mM imidazole at a flow rate of 4-5 ml/min. at 4°C. After loading, the column is washed with additional equilibration buffer and the protein eluted with equilibration buffer containing 0.25 M imidazole. The highly purified protein is subsequently desalted into a storage buffer containing 10 mM Hepes, 0.14 M NaCl and 4% mannitol, pH 6.8, with a 25 ml G25 Superfine (Pharmacia) column and stored at -80°C.

Immunoadhesin (Fc-containing) constructs are purified from the conditioned media as follows. The conditioned medium is pumped onto a 5 ml Protein A column (Pharmacia) which had been equilibrated in 20 mM Na phosphate buffer, pH 6.8. After loading, the column is washed extensively with equilibration buffer before elution with 100 mM citric acid, pH 3.5. The eluted protein is immediately neutralized by collecting 1 ml fractions into tubes containing 275 μ L of 1 M Tris buffer, pH 9. The highly purified protein is subsequently desalted into storage buffer as described above for the poly-His tagged proteins. The homogeneity is assessed by SDS polyacrylamide gels and by N-terminal amino acid sequencing by Edman degradation.

Many of the PRO polypeptides disclosed herein were successfully expressed as described above.

EXAMPLE 8: Expression of PRO in Yeast

The following method describes recombinant expression of PRO in yeast.

First, yeast expression vectors are constructed for intracellular production or secretion of PRO from the ADH2/GAPDH promoter. DNA encoding PRO and the promoter is inserted into suitable restriction enzyme

sites in the selected plasmid to direct intracellular expression of PRO. For secretion, DNA encoding PRO can be cloned into the selected plasmid, together with DNA encoding the ADH2/GAPDH promoter, a native PRO signal peptide or other mammalian signal peptide, or, for example, a yeast alpha-factor or invertase secretory signal/leader sequence, and linker sequences (if needed) for expression of PRO.

Yeast cells, such as yeast strain AB110, can then be transformed with the expression plasmids described above and cultured in selected fermentation media. The transformed yeast supernatants can be analyzed by precipitation with 10% trichloroacetic acid and separation by SDS-PAGE, followed by staining of the gels with Coomassie Blue stain.

Recombinant PRO can subsequently be isolated and purified by removing the yeast cells from the fermentation medium by centrifugation and then concentrating the medium using selected cartridge filters. The concentrate containing PRO may further be purified using selected column chromatography resins.

Many of the PRO polypeptides disclosed herein were successfully expressed as described above.

EXAMPLE 9: Expression of PRO in Baculovirus-Infected Insect Cells

The following method describes recombinant expression of PRO in Baculovirus-infected insect cells.

The sequence coding for PRO is fused upstream of an epitope tag contained within a baculovirus expression vector. Such epitope tags include poly-his tags and immunoglobulin tags (like Fc regions of IgG). A variety of plasmids may be employed, including plasmids derived from commercially available plasmids such as pVL1393 (Novagen). Briefly, the sequence encoding PRO or the desired portion of the coding sequence of PRO such as the sequence encoding the extracellular domain of a transmembrane protein or the sequence encoding the mature protein if the protein is extracellular is amplified by PCR with primers complementary to the 5' and 3' regions. The 5' primer may incorporate flanking (selected) restriction enzyme sites. The product is then digested with those selected restriction enzymes and subcloned into the expression vector.

Recombinant baculovirus is generated by co-transfecting the above plasmid and BaculoGold™ virus DNA (PharMingen) into *Spodoptera frugiperda* ("Sf9") cells (ATCC CRL 1711) using lipofectin (commercially available from GIBCO-BRL). After 4 - 5 days of incubation at 28°C, the released viruses are harvested and used for further amplifications. Viral infection and protein expression are performed as described by O'Reilley et al., Baculovirus expression vectors: A Laboratory Manual, Oxford: Oxford University Press (1994).

Expressed poly-his tagged PRO can then be purified, for example, by Ni²⁺-chelate affinity chromatography as follows. Extracts are prepared from recombinant virus-infected Sf9 cells as described by Rupert et al., Nature, 362:175-179 (1993). Briefly, Sf9 cells are washed, resuspended in sonication buffer (25 mL Hepes, pH 7.9; 12.5 mM MgCl₂; 0.1 mM EDTA; 10% glycerol; 0.1% NP-40; 0.4 M KCl), and sonicated twice for 20 seconds on ice. The sonicates are cleared by centrifugation, and the supernatant is diluted 50-fold in loading buffer (50 mM phosphate, 300 mM NaCl, 10% glycerol, pH 7.8) and filtered through a 0.45 μm filter. A Ni²⁺-NTA agarose column (commercially available from Qiagen) is prepared with a bed volume of 5 mL, washed with 25 mL of water and equilibrated with 25 mL of loading buffer. The filtered cell extract is loaded onto the column at 0.5 mL per minute. The column is washed to baseline A₂₈₀ with loading buffer, at which point fraction collection is started. Next, the column is washed with a secondary wash buffer (50 mM

phosphate; 300 mM NaCl, 10% glycerol, pH 6.0), which elutes nonspecifically bound protein. After reaching A_{280} baseline again, the column is developed with a 0 to 500 mM Imidazole gradient in the secondary wash buffer. One mL fractions are collected and analyzed by SDS-PAGE and silver staining or Western blot with Ni^{2+} -NTA-conjugated to alkaline phosphatase (Qiagen). Fractions containing the eluted His₁₀-tagged PRO are pooled and dialyzed against loading buffer.

Alternatively, purification of the IgG tagged (or Fc tagged) PRO can be performed using known chromatography techniques, including for instance, Protein A or protein G column chromatography.

Many of the PRO polypeptides disclosed herein were successfully expressed as described above.

EXAMPLE 10: Preparation of Antibodies that Bind PRO

This example illustrates preparation of monoclonal antibodies which can specifically bind PRO.

Techniques for producing the monoclonal antibodies are known in the art and are described, for instance, in Goding, *supra*. Immunogens that may be employed include purified PRO, fusion proteins containing PRO, and cells expressing recombinant PRO on the cell surface. Selection of the immunogen can be made by the skilled artisan without undue experimentation.

Mice, such as Balb/c, are immunized with the PRO immunogen emulsified in complete Freund's adjuvant and injected subcutaneously or intraperitoneally in an amount from 1-100 micrograms. Alternatively, the immunogen is emulsified in MPL-TDM adjuvant (Ribi Immunochemical Research, Hamilton, MT) and injected into the animal's hind foot pads. The immunized mice are then boosted 10 to 12 days later with additional immunogen emulsified in the selected adjuvant. Thereafter, for several weeks, the mice may also be boosted with additional immunization injections. Serum samples may be periodically obtained from the mice by retro-orbital bleeding for testing in ELISA assays to detect anti-PRO antibodies.

After a suitable antibody titer has been detected, the animals "positive" for antibodies can be injected with a final intravenous injection of PRO. Three to four days later, the mice are sacrificed and the spleen cells are harvested. The spleen cells are then fused (using 35% polyethylene glycol) to a selected murine myeloma cell line such as P3X63AgU.1, available from ATCC, No. CRL 1597. The fusions generate hybridoma cells which can then be plated in 96 well tissue culture plates containing HAT (hypoxanthine, aminopterin, and thymidine) medium to inhibit proliferation of non-fused cells, myeloma hybrids, and spleen cell hybrids.

The hybridoma cells will be screened in an ELISA for reactivity against PRO. Determination of "positive" hybridoma cells secreting the desired monoclonal antibodies against PRO is within the skill in the art.

The positive hybridoma cells can be injected intraperitoneally into syngeneic Balb/c mice to produce ascites containing the anti-PRO monoclonal antibodies. Alternatively, the hybridoma cells can be grown in tissue culture flasks or roller bottles. Purification of the monoclonal antibodies produced in the ascites can be accomplished using ammonium sulfate precipitation, followed by gel exclusion chromatography. Alternatively, affinity chromatography based upon binding of antibody to protein A or protein G can be employed.

EXAMPLE 11: Purification of PRO Polypeptides Using Specific Antibodies

Native or recombinant PRO polypeptides may be purified by a variety of standard techniques in the art of protein purification. For example, pro-PRO polypeptide, mature PRO polypeptide, or pre-PRO polypeptide is purified by immunoaffinity chromatography using antibodies specific for the PRO polypeptide of interest. In general, an immunoaffinity column is constructed by covalently coupling the anti-PRO polypeptide antibody to an activated chromatographic resin.

Polyclonal immunoglobulins are prepared from immune sera either by precipitation with ammonium sulfate or by purification on immobilized Protein A (Pharmacia LKB Biotechnology, Piscataway, N.J.). Likewise, monoclonal antibodies are prepared from mouse ascites fluid by ammonium sulfate precipitation or chromatography on immobilized Protein A. Partially purified immunoglobulin is covalently attached to a chromatographic resin such as CnBr-activated SEPHAROSE™ (Pharmacia LKB Biotechnology). The antibody is coupled to the resin, the resin is blocked, and the derivative resin is washed according to the manufacturer's instructions.

Such an immunoaffinity column is utilized in the purification of PRO polypeptide by preparing a fraction from cells containing PRO polypeptide in a soluble form. This preparation is derived by solubilization of the whole cell or of a subcellular fraction obtained via differential centrifugation by the addition of detergent or by other methods well known in the art. Alternatively, soluble PRO polypeptide containing a signal sequence may be secreted in useful quantity into the medium in which the cells are grown.

A soluble PRO polypeptide-containing preparation is passed over the immunoaffinity column, and the column is washed under conditions that allow the preferential absorbance of PRO polypeptide (*e.g.*, high ionic strength buffers in the presence of detergent). Then, the column is eluted under conditions that disrupt antibody/PRO polypeptide binding (*e.g.*, a low pH buffer such as approximately pH 2-3, or a high concentration of a chaotrope such as urea or thiocyanate ion), and PRO polypeptide is collected.

EXAMPLE 12: Drug Screening

This invention is particularly useful for screening compounds by using PRO polypeptides or binding fragment thereof in any of a variety of drug screening techniques. The PRO polypeptide or fragment employed in such a test may either be free in solution, affixed to a solid support, borne on a cell surface, or located intracellularly. One method of drug screening utilizes eukaryotic or prokaryotic host cells which are stably transformed with recombinant nucleic acids expressing the PRO polypeptide or fragment. Drugs are screened against such transformed cells in competitive binding assays. Such cells, either in viable or fixed form, can be used for standard binding assays. One may measure, for example, the formation of complexes between PRO polypeptide or a fragment and the agent being tested. Alternatively, one can examine the diminution in complex formation between the PRO polypeptide and its target cell or target receptors caused by the agent being tested.

Thus, the present invention provides methods of screening for drugs or any other agents which can affect a PRO polypeptide-associated disease or disorder. These methods comprise contacting such an agent with an PRO polypeptide or fragment thereof and assaying (i) for the presence of a complex between the agent and the PRO polypeptide or fragment, or (ii) for the presence of a complex between the PRO polypeptide or fragment

and the cell, by methods well known in the art. In such competitive binding assays, the PRO polypeptide or fragment is typically labeled. After suitable incubation, free PRO polypeptide or fragment is separated from that present in bound form, and the amount of free or uncomplexed label is a measure of the ability of the particular agent to bind to PRO polypeptide or to interfere with the PRO polypeptide/cell complex.

Another technique for drug screening provides high throughput screening for compounds having suitable binding affinity to a polypeptide and is described in detail in WO 84/03564, published on September 13, 1984. Briefly stated, large numbers of different small peptide test compounds are synthesized on a solid substrate, such as plastic pins or some other surface. As applied to a PRO polypeptide, the peptide test compounds are reacted with PRO polypeptide and washed. Bound PRO polypeptide is detected by methods well known in the art. Purified PRO polypeptide can also be coated directly onto plates for use in the aforementioned drug screening techniques. In addition, non-neutralizing antibodies can be used to capture the peptide and immobilize it on the solid support.

This invention also contemplates the use of competitive drug screening assays in which neutralizing antibodies capable of binding PRO polypeptide specifically compete with a test compound for binding to PRO polypeptide or fragments thereof. In this manner, the antibodies can be used to detect the presence of any peptide which shares one or more antigenic determinants with PRO polypeptide.

EXAMPLE 13: Rational Drug Design

The goal of rational drug design is to produce structural analogs of biologically active polypeptide of interest (*i.e.*, a PRO polypeptide) or of small molecules with which they interact, *e.g.*, agonists, antagonists, or inhibitors. Any of these examples can be used to fashion drugs which are more active or stable forms of the PRO polypeptide or which enhance or interfere with the function of the PRO polypeptide *in vivo* (*c.f.*, Hodgson, Bio/Technology, 9: 19-21 (1991)).

In one approach, the three-dimensional structure of the PRO polypeptide, or of an PRO polypeptide-inhibitor complex, is determined by x-ray crystallography, by computer modeling or, most typically, by a combination of the two approaches. Both the shape and charges of the PRO polypeptide must be ascertained to elucidate the structure and to determine active site(s) of the molecule. Less often, useful information regarding the structure of the PRO polypeptide may be gained by modeling based on the structure of homologous proteins. In both cases, relevant structural information is used to design analogous PRO polypeptide-like molecules or to identify efficient inhibitors. Useful examples of rational drug design may include molecules which have improved activity or stability as shown by Braxton and Wells, Biochemistry, 31:7796-7801 (1992) or which act as inhibitors, agonists, or antagonists of native peptides as shown by Athauda *et al.*, J. Biochem., 113:742-746 (1993).

It is also possible to isolate a target-specific antibody, selected by functional assay, as described above, and then to solve its crystal structure. This approach, in principle, yields a pharmacore upon which subsequent drug design can be based. It is possible to bypass protein crystallography altogether by generating anti-idiotypic antibodies (anti-ids) to a functional, pharmacologically active antibody. As a mirror image of a mirror image, the binding site of the anti-ids would be expected to be an analog of the original receptor. The anti-id could then

be used to identify and isolate peptides from banks of chemically or biologically produced peptides. The isolated peptides would then act as the pharmacore.

By virtue of the present invention, sufficient amounts of the PRO polypeptide may be made available to perform such analytical studies as X-ray crystallography. In addition, knowledge of the PRO polypeptide amino acid sequence provided herein will provide guidance to those employing computer modeling techniques in place of or in addition to x-ray crystallography.

EXAMPLE 14: Identification of PRO Polypeptides That Stimulate TNF- α Release In Human Blood (Assay 128)

This assay shows that certain PRO polypeptides of the present invention act to stimulate the release of TNF- α in human blood. PRO polypeptides testing positive in this assay are useful for, among other things, research purposes where stimulation of the release of TNF- α would be desired and for the therapeutic treatment of conditions wherein enhanced TNF- α release would be beneficial. Specifically, 200 μ l of human blood supplemented with 50mM Hepes buffer (pH 7.2) is aliquoted per well in a 96 well test plate. To each well is then added 300 μ l of either the test PRO polypeptide in 50 mM Hepes buffer (at various concentrations) or 50 mM Hepes buffer alone (negative control) and the plates are incubated at 37°C for 6 hours. The samples are then centrifuged and 50 μ l of plasma is collected from each well and tested for the presence of TNF- α by ELISA assay. A positive in the assay is a higher amount of TNF- α in the PRO polypeptide treated samples as compared to the negative control samples.

The following PRO polypeptides tested positive in this assay: PRO195, PRO202, PRO215, PRO221, PRO217, PRO222, PRO198, PRO245, PRO172, PRO265, PRO266, PRO344, PRO337, PRO322, PRO1286, PRO1279, PRO1338 and PRO1343.

EXAMPLE 15: Detection of Polypeptides That Affect Glucose or FFA Uptake in Skeletal Muscle (Assay 106)

This assay is designed to determine whether PRO polypeptides show the ability to affect glucose or FFA uptake by skeletal muscle cells. PRO polypeptides testing positive in this assay would be expected to be useful for the therapeutic treatment of disorders where either the stimulation or inhibition of glucose uptake by skeletal muscle would be beneficial including, for example, diabetes or hyper- or hypo-insulinemia.

In a 96 well format, PRO polypeptides to be assayed are added to primary rat differentiated skeletal muscle, and allowed to incubate overnight. Then fresh media with the PRO polypeptide and +/- insulin are added to the wells. The sample media is then monitored to determine glucose and FFA uptake by the skeletal muscle cells. The insulin will stimulate glucose and FFA uptake by the skeletal muscle, and insulin in media without the PRO polypeptide is used as a positive control, and a limit for scoring. As the PRO polypeptide being tested may either stimulate or inhibit glucose and FFA uptake, results are scored as positive in the assay if greater than 1.5 times or less than 0.5 times the insulin control.

The following PRO polypeptides tested positive as being capable of affecting glucose and/or FFA uptake by skeletal muscle in this assay: PRO182, PRO366, PRO198, PRO172 and PRO719.

EXAMPLE 16: Chondrocyte Re-differentiation Assay (Assay 110)

This assay shows that certain polypeptides of the invention act to induce redifferentiation of chondrocytes, therefore, are expected to be useful for the treatment of various bone and/or cartilage disorders such as, for example, sports injuries and arthritis. The assay is performed as follows. Porcine chondrocytes are isolated by overnight collagenase digestion of articular cartilage of metacarpophalangeal joints of 4-6 month old female pigs. The isolated cells are then seeded at 25,000 cells/cm² in Ham F-12 containing 10% FBS and 4 µg/ml gentamycin. The culture media is changed every third day and the cells are then seeded in 96 well plates at 5,000 cells/well in 100µl of the same media without serum and 100 µl of the test PRO polypeptide, 5 nM staurosporin (positive control) or medium alone (negative control) is added to give a final volume of 200 µl/well. After 5 days of incubation at 37°C, a picture of each well is taken and the differentiation state of the chondrocytes is determined. A positive result in the assay occurs when the redifferentiation of the chondrocytes is determined to be more similar to the positive control than the negative control.

The following polypeptide tested positive in this assay: PRO182, PRO366, PRO198 and PRO1868.

EXAMPLE 17: Chondrocyte Proliferation Assay (Assay 111)

This assay is designed to determine whether PRO polypeptides of the present invention show the ability to induce the proliferation and/or redifferentiation of chondrocytes in culture. PRO polypeptides testing positive in this assay would be expected to be useful for the therapeutic treatment of various bone and/or cartilage disorders such as, for example, sports injuries and arthritis.

Porcine chondrocytes are isolated by overnight collagenase digestion of articular cartilage of the metacarpophalangeal joint of 4-6 month old female pigs. The isolated cells are then seeded at 25,000 cells/cm² in Ham F-12 containing 10% FBS and 4 µg/ml gentamycin. The culture media is changed every third day and the cells are reseeded to 25,000 cells/cm² every five days. On day 12, the cells are seeded in 96 well plates at 5,000 cells/well in 100µl of the same media without serum and 100 µl of either serum-free medium (negative control), staurosporin (final concentration of 5 nM; positive control) or the test PRO polypeptide are added to give a final volume of 200 µl/well. After 5 days at 37°C, 20 µl of Alamar blue is added to each well and the plates are incubated for an additional 3 hours at 37°C. The fluorescence is then measured in each well (Ex:530 nm; Em: 590 nm). The fluorescence of a plate containing 200 µl of the serum-free medium is measured to obtain the background. A positive result in the assay is obtained when the fluorescence of the PRO polypeptide treated sample is more like that of the positive control than the negative control.

The following PRO polypeptides tested positive in this assay: PRO202, PRO224, PRO172 and PRO1312.

EXAMPLE 18: Detection of PRO Polypeptides That Affect Glucose or FFA Uptake by Primary Rat Adipocytes (Assay 94)

This assay is designed to determine whether PRO polypeptides show the ability to affect glucose or FFA uptake by adipocyte cells. PRO polypeptides testing positive in this assay would be expected to be useful for the therapeutic treatment of disorders where either the stimulation or inhibition of glucose uptake by adipocytes

would be beneficial including, for example, obesity, diabetes or hyper- or hypo-insulinemia.

In a 96 well format, PRO polypeptides to be assayed are added to primary rat adipocytes, and allowed to incubate overnight. Samples are taken at 4 and 16 hours and assayed for glycerol, glucose and FFA uptake. After the 16 hour incubation, insulin is added to the media and allowed to incubate for 4 hours. At this time, a sample is taken and glycerol, glucose and FFA uptake is measured. Media containing insulin without the PRO polypeptide is used as a positive reference control. As the PRO polypeptide being tested may either stimulate or inhibit glucose and FFA uptake, results are scored as positive in the assay if greater than 1.5 times or less than 0.5 times the insulin control.

The following PRO polypeptides tested positive as being capable of affecting glucose and/or FFA uptake in this assay: PRO202, PRO211, PRO344 and PRO1338.

EXAMPLE 19: Gene Expression in Bovine Pericytes (Assay 105)

This assay is designed to identify PRO polypeptides which activate gene expression in pericytes. Such polypeptides would be expected to be useful as growth factors and/or for situations where the activation of gene expression is desired or beneficial. Bovine pericytes are plated on 60mm culture dishes in growth media for 1 week. On day 1, various PRO polypeptides are diluted (1%) and incubated with the pericytes for 1, 4 and 24 hr. timepoints. The cells are harvested and the RNA isolated using TRI-Reagent following the included instructions. The RNA is then quantified by reading the 260/280 OD using a spectrophotometer. The gene expression analysis is done by TaqMan reactions using Perkin Elmer reagents and specially designed bovine probes and primers. Expression of the following genes is analyzed: GAPDH, beta-integrin, connective tissue growth factor (CTGF), ICAM-1, monocyte chemoattractant protein-1 (MCP-1), osteopontin, transforming growth factor-beta (TGF-beta), TGF-beta receptor, tissue inhibitor of metalloproteinase (TIMP), tissue factor (TF), VEGF- α , thrombospondin, VEGF- β , angiopoietin-2, and collagenase. Replicates are then averaged and the SD determined. The gene expression levels are then normalized to GAPDH. These are then normalized to the expression levels obtained with a protein (PIN32) which does not significantly induce gene expression in bovine pericytes when compared to untreated controls. Any PRO polypeptide that gives a gene expression level 2-fold or higher over the PIN32 control is considered a positive hit.

The following PRO polypeptides tested positive in this assay: PRO366.

EXAMPLE 20: Identification of PRO Polypeptides That Activate Pericytes (Assay 125)

This assay shows that certain polypeptides of the invention act to activate proliferation of pericyte cells and, therefore, are useful not only as diagnostic markers for particular types of pericyte-associated tumors but also for giving rise to antagonists which would be expected to be useful for the therapeutic treatment of pericyte-associated tumors. Such PRO polypeptides also would be expected to be useful as growth factors and/or for situations where the induction of cell proliferation is desired or beneficial. Activation of pericyte proliferation also correlates with the induction of angiogenesis and, as such, PRO polypeptides capable of inducing pericyte proliferation would be expected to be useful for the treatment of conditions where induced angiogenesis would be beneficial including, for example, wound healing, and the like. Specifically, on day 1, pericytes are received

from VEC Technologies, and all but 5 ml media is removed from the flask. On day 2, the pericytes are trypsinized, washed, spun and plated on 96 well plates. On day 7, the media is removed and the pericytes are treated with 100 μ l of either the specific PRO polypeptide or control treatments (positive control = DME + 5% +/- PDGF @ 500ng/ μ l; negative control = PIN32, a polypeptide determined to have no significant effect on pericyte proliferation). C-fos and GAPDH gene expression levels are then determined and the replicates are averaged and the SD is determined. The c-fos values are normalized to GAPDH and the results are expressed as fold increase over PIN32. Anything providing at least a 2-fold or higher response as compared to the negative control is considered positive for the assay.

The following polypeptides tested positive in this assay: PRO366.

10 EXAMPLE 21: Ability of PRO Polypeptides to Stimulate the Release of Proteoglycans from Cartilage (Assay 97)

The ability of various PRO polypeptides to stimulate the release of proteoglycans from cartilage tissue was tested as follows.

15 The metacarpophalangeal joint of 4-6 month old pigs was aseptically dissected, and articular cartilage was removed by free hand slicing being careful to avoid the underlying bone. The cartilage was minced and cultured in bulk for 24 hours in a humidified atmosphere of 95% air, 5% CO₂ in serum free (SF) media (DME/F12 1:1) with 0.1% BSA and 100U/ml penicillin and 100 μ g/ml streptomycin. After washing three times, approximately 100 mg of articular cartilage was aliquoted into micronics tubes and incubated for an additional 24 hours in the above SF media. PRO polypeptides were then added at 1% either alone or in combination with 20 18 ng/ml interleukin-1 α , a known stimulator of proteoglycan release from cartilage tissue. The supernatant was then harvested and assayed for the amount of proteoglycans using the 1,9-dimethyl-methylene blue (DMB) colorimetric assay (Farndale and Buttle, *Biochem. Biophys. Acta* 883:173-177 (1985)). A positive result in this assay indicates that the test polypeptide will find use, for example, in the treatment of sports-related joint problems, articular cartilage defects, osteoarthritis or rheumatoid arthritis.

25 When various PRO polypeptides were tested in the above assay, the polypeptides demonstrated a marked ability to stimulate release of proteoglycans from cartilage tissue both basally and after stimulation with interleukin-1 α and at 24 and 72 hours after treatment, thereby indicating that these PRO polypeptides are useful for stimulating proteoglycan release from cartilage tissue. As such, these PRO polypeptides are useful for the treatment of sports-related joint problems, articular cartilage defects, osteoarthritis or rheumatoid arthritis. The polypeptides testing positive in this assay are : PRO216.

30 EXAMPLE 22: Proliferation of Rat Utricular Supporting Cells (Assay 54)

This assay shows that certain polypeptides of the invention act as potent mitogens for inner ear supporting cells which are auditory hair cell progenitors and, therefore, are useful for inducing the regeneration of auditory hair cells and treating hearing loss in mammals. The assay is performed as follows. Rat UEC-4 utricular epithelial cells are aliquoted into 96 well plates with a density of 3000 cells/well in 200 μ l of serum-containing medium at 33°C. The cells are cultured overnight and are then switched to serum-free medium at

37°C. Various dilutions of PRO polypeptides (or nothing for a control) are then added to the cultures and the cells are incubated for 24 hours. After the 24 hour incubation, ³H-thymidine (1 µCi/well) is added and the cells are then cultured for an additional 24 hours. The cultures are then washed to remove unincorporated radiolabel, the cells harvested and Cpm per well determined. Cpm of at least 30% or greater in the PRO polypeptide treated cultures as compared to the control cultures is considered a positive in the assay.

5 The following polypeptides tested positive in this assay: PRO172.

EXAMPLE 23: Stimulatory Activity in Mixed Lymphocyte Reaction (MLR) Assay (Assay 24)

10 This example shows that certain polypeptides of the invention are active as a stimulator of the proliferation of stimulated T-lymphocytes. Compounds which stimulate proliferation of lymphocytes are useful therapeutically where enhancement of an immune response is beneficial. A therapeutic agent may take the form of antagonists of the polypeptide of the invention, for example, murine-human chimeric, humanized or human antibodies against the polypeptide.

15 The basic protocol for this assay is described in Current Protocols in Immunology, unit 3.12; edited by J E Coligan, A M Kruisbeek, D H Marglies, E M Shevach, W Strober, National Institutes of Health, Published by John Wiley & Sons, Inc.

20 More specifically, in one assay variant, peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMC) are isolated from mammalian individuals, for example a human volunteer, by leukopheresis (one donor will supply stimulator PBMCs, the other donor will supply responder PBMCs). If desired, the cells are frozen in fetal bovine serum and DMSO after isolation. Frozen cells may be thawed overnight in assay media (37°C, 5% CO₂) and then washed and resuspended to 3x10⁶ cells/ml of assay media (RPMI; 10% fetal bovine serum, 1% penicillin/streptomycin, 1% glutamine, 1% HEPES, 1% non-essential amino acids, 1% pyruvate). The stimulator PBMCs are prepared by irradiating the cells (about 3000 Rads).

 The assay is prepared by plating in triplicate wells a mixture of:

25 100:1 of test sample diluted to 1% or to 0.1%,

 50:1 of irradiated stimulator cells, and

 50:1 of responder PBMC cells.

 100 microliters of cell culture media or 100 microliter of CD4-IgG is used as the control. The wells are then incubated at 37°C, 5% CO₂ for 4 days. On day 5, each well is pulsed with tritiated thymidine (1.0 mCi/well; Amersham). After 6 hours the cells are washed 3 times and then the uptake of the label is evaluated.

30 In another variant of this assay, PBMCs are isolated from the spleens of Balb/c mice and C57B6 mice. The cells are teased from freshly harvested spleens in assay media (RPMI; 10% fetal bovine serum, 1% penicillin/streptomycin, 1% glutamine, 1% HEPES, 1% non-essential amino acids, 1% pyruvate) and the PBMCs are isolated by overlaying these cells over Lympholyte M (Organon Teknika), centrifuging at 2000 rpm for 20 minutes, collecting and washing the mononuclear cell layer in assay media and resuspending the cells to 1x10⁷ cells/ml of assay media. The assay is then conducted as described above.

35 Positive increases over control are considered positive with increases of greater than or equal to 180% being preferred. However, any value greater than control indicates a stimulatory effect for the test protein.

The following PRO polypeptides tested positive in this assay: PRO344.

EXAMPLE 24: Pericyte c-Fos Induction (Assay 93)

This assay shows that certain polypeptides of the invention act to induce the expression of c-fos in pericyte cells and, therefore, are useful not only as diagnostic markers for particular types of pericyte-associated tumors but also for giving rise to antagonists which would be expected to be useful for the therapeutic treatment of pericyte-associated tumors. Induction of c-fos expression in pericytes is also indicative of the induction of angiogenesis and, as such, PRO polypeptides capable of inducing the expression of c-fos would be expected to be useful for the treatment of conditions where induced angiogenesis would be beneficial including, for example, wound healing, and the like. Specifically, on day 1, pericytes are received from VEC Technologies and all but 5 ml of media is removed from flask. On day 2, the pericytes are trypsinized, washed, spun and then plated onto 96 well plates. On day 7, the media is removed and the pericytes are treated with 100 μ l of PRO polypeptide test samples and controls (positive control = DME+5% serum +/- PDGF at 500 ng/ml; negative control = protein 32). Replicates are averaged and SD/CV are determined. Fold increase over Protein 32 (buffer control) value indicated by chemiluminescence units (RLU) luminometer reading verses frequency is plotted on a histogram. Two-fold above Protein 32 value is considered positive for the assay. ASY Matrix: Growth media = low glucose DMEM = 20% FBS + 1X pen strep + 1X fungizone. Assay Media = low glucose DMEM +5% FBS.

The following polypeptides tested positive in this assay: PRO301, PRO619, PRO1066 and PRO1265.

EXAMPLE 25: Cytokine Release Assay (Assay 120)

This assay is designed to determine whether PRO polypeptides of the present invention are capable of inducing the release of cytokines from peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs). PRO polypeptides capable of inducing the release of cytokines from PBMCs are useful from the treatment of conditions which would benefit from enhanced cytokine release and will be readily evident to those of ordinary skill in the art. Specifically, 1×10^6 cells/ml of peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMC) are cultured with 1% of a PRO polypeptide for 3 days in complete RPMI media. The supernatant is then harvested and tested for increased concentrations of various cytokines by ELISA as compared to a human IgG treated control. A positive in the assay is a 10-fold or greater increase in cytokine concentration in the PRO polypeptide treated sample as compared to the human IgG treated control.

The following polypeptides tested positive in this assay: PRO526 and PRO1343.

EXAMPLE 26: Inhibition of A-Peptide Binding to Factor VIIA (Assay 118)

This assay is designed to identify PRO polypeptides which are capable of inhibiting the binding of A-peptide to factor VIIA, thereby affecting the blood coagulation cascade. PRO polypeptides testing positive in this assay are expected to be useful for the treatment of conditions where alteration of the blood coagulation cascade would be beneficial including, for example, stroke, heart attack and various coagulation disorders. These PRO polypeptides are also useful for the identification of agonist and antagonist molecules which would

also be useful for treatment of those conditions.

Specifically, 384 well plates are coated with soluble factor VIIA and are incubated overnight at 4°C. The wells are then decanted and are blocked by the addition of 0.5% BSA for 1 hour. The wells are then washed and 20µl of biotinylated A-peptide and either various concentration of the PRO polypeptide (test) or nothing (negative control) are added to each well. The plates are then incubated for 1 hour at room temperature. The wells are again washed and then 40µl of streptavidin-europium is added to each well. The plates are then incubated for 30 minutes at room temperature and then washed. 40µl of a fluorescence enhancement solution is then added to each well, the plates incubated for 5 minutes at room temperature and each well is then read on Wallac Victor reader under europium delayed fluorescence settings. Percent inhibition of binding of the A-peptide to the factor VIIA is then determined (as compared to the negative control), wherein a positive in the assay is a percent inhibition of 30% or greater.

The following PRO polypeptides tested positive in this assay: PRO182.

EXAMPLE 27: Inhibition of Adipocyte Differentiation Assay (Assay 66)

This assay is designed to identify PRO polypeptides which are capable of inhibiting insulin-induced differentiation of adipocytes. PRO polypeptides testing positive in this assay would be expected to be useful for the treatment of conditions associated with obesity, diabetes, etc.

Specifically, 3T3-L1 cells are seeded into the wells of 96 well plates at 6×10^4 cells/well and allowed to grow to confluency for 7 days. At day 7, the cells are treated with various concentrations of the PRO polypeptide (or nothing for the negative control) in the presence of 1µg/ml insulin, 0.25×10^{-6} M dexamethasone and 0.5mM IBMX. The samples are then incubated at 37°C in 7% CO₂ for 2 days. After the incubation, the media is removed by aspiration and the cells are washed with PBS and re-exposed to the PRO polypeptide (or nothing for the negative control) and 1µg/ml insulin. After 5 days, the media is removed and replaced with fresh PRO polypeptide (or nothing for the negative control) and insulin. After 5 days, the cells are lysed and the cell lysate is assayed using Sigma's Triglyceride [INT] kit (Sigma procedure #336). A positive in the assay is 20% greater inhibition of adipocyte differentiation in the PRO polypeptide treated samples as compared to the negative control.

The following PRO polypeptides tested positive in this assay: PRO185 and PRO198.

EXAMPLE 28: HUVEC Stimulation by PRO Polypeptides (Assay 131)

This assay is designed to identify PRO polypeptides which are capable of stimulating the proliferation of HUVEC cells. PRO polypeptides testing positive in this assay would be expected to be useful for inducing angiogenesis for the treatment of conditions where angiogenesis would be beneficial including, for example, wound healing, and the like. Antagonists of these PRO polypeptides would be expected to be useful for inhibiting angiogenesis for the treatment of, for example, tumors, and the like.

Specifically, COSTAR® flat bottom black plates are treated with fibronectin for 20 minutes and then washed twice with PBS. HUVEC cells are then plated at 2000 cells/well in an appropriate growth medium. The plates are then incubated overnight and then the PRO polypeptide (1% final concentration), nothing (negative

control) or IL1 β (3.3 ng/ml final concentration; positive control) is added. The plates are again incubated overnight, stained with ICAM1-Cy5 and read on FMAT. A positive in the assay is a 2-fold or greater increase in fluorescence as compared to the positive control.

The following PRO polypeptides tested positive in this assay: PRO222.

5 EXAMPLE 29: Promotion of Chondrocyte Redifferentiation (Assay 129)

This assay is designed to determine whether PRO polypeptides of the present invention show the ability to induce the proliferation and/or redifferentiation of chondrocytes in culture. PRO polypeptides testing positive in this assay would be expected to be useful for the therapeutic treatment of various bone and/or cartilage disorders such as, for example, sports injuries and arthritis.

10 Porcine chondrocytes are isolated by overnight collagenase digestion of articular cartilage of the metacarpophalangeal joint of 4-6 month old female pigs. The isolated cells are then seeded at 25,000 cells/cm² in Ham F-12 containing 10% FBS and 4 μ g/ml gentamycin. The culture media is changed every third day. On day 12, the cells are seeded in 96 well plates at 5,000 cells/well in 100 μ l of the same media without serum and 100 μ l of either serum-free medium (negative control), staurosporin (final concentration of 5 nM; positive
15 control) or the test PRO polypeptide are added to give a final volume of 200 μ l/well. After 5 days at 37°C, 22 μ l of media containing 100 μ g/ml Hoechst 33342 and 50 μ g/ml 5-CFDA is added to each well and incubated for an additional 10 minutes at 37°C. A picture of the green fluorescence is taken for each well and the differentiation state of the chondrocytes is calculated by morphometric analysis. A positive result in the assay is obtained when the > 50% of the PRO polypeptide treated cells are differentiated (compared to the background
20 obtained by the negative control).

The following PRO polypeptides tested positive in this assay: PRO301.

EXAMPLE 30: Microarray Analysis to Detect Overexpression of PRO Polypeptides in Cancerous Tumors

Nucleic acid microarrays, often containing thousands of gene sequences, are useful for identifying
25 differentially expressed genes in diseased tissues as compared to their normal counterparts. Using nucleic acid microarrays, test and control mRNA samples from test and control tissue samples are reverse transcribed and labeled to generate cDNA probes. The cDNA probes are then hybridized to an array of nucleic acids immobilized on a solid support. The array is configured such that the sequence and position of each member of the array is known. For example, a selection of genes known to be expressed in certain disease states may be
30 arrayed on a solid support. Hybridization of a labeled probe with a particular array member indicates that the sample from which the probe was derived expresses that gene. If the hybridization signal of a probe from a test (disease tissue) sample is greater than hybridization signal of a probe from a control (normal tissue) sample, the gene or genes overexpressed in the disease tissue are identified. The implication of this result is that an overexpressed protein in a diseased tissue is useful not only as a diagnostic marker for the presence of the disease
35 condition, but also as a therapeutic target for treatment of the disease condition.

The methodology of hybridization of nucleic acids and microarray technology is well known in the art. In the present example, the specific preparation of nucleic acids for hybridization and probes, slides, and

hybridization conditions are all detailed in U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/193,767, filed on March 31, 2000 and which is herein incorporated by reference.

In the present example, cancerous tumors derived from various human tissues were studied for PRO polypeptide-encoding gene expression relative to non-cancerous human tissue in an attempt to identify those PRO polypeptides which are overexpressed in cancerous tumors. Two sets of experimental data were generated. In one set, cancerous human colon tumor tissue and matched non-cancerous human colon tumor tissue from the same patient ("matched colon control") were obtained and analyzed for PRO polypeptide expression using the above described microarray technology. In the second set of data, cancerous human tumor tissue from any of a variety of different human tumors was obtained and compared to a "universal" epithelial control sample which was prepared by pooling non-cancerous human tissues of epithelial origin, including liver, kidney, and lung. mRNA isolated from the pooled tissues represents a mixture of expressed gene products from these different tissues. Microarray hybridization experiments using the pooled control samples generated a linear plot in a 2-color analysis. The slope of the line generated in a 2-color analysis was then used to normalize the ratios of (test:control detection) within each experiment. The normalized ratios from various experiments were then compared and used to identify clustering of gene expression. Thus, the pooled "universal control" sample not only allowed effective relative gene expression determinations in a simple 2-sample comparison, it also allowed multi-sample comparisons across several experiments.

In the present experiments, nucleic acid probes derived from the herein described PRO polypeptide-encoding nucleic acid sequences were used in the creation of the microarray and RNA from the tumor tissues listed above were used for the hybridization thereto. A value based upon the normalized ratio:experimental ratio was designated as a "cutoff ratio". Only values that were above this cutoff ratio were determined to be significant. Table 8 below shows the results of these experiments, demonstrating that various PRO polypeptides of the present invention are significantly overexpressed in various human tumor tissues as compared to a non-cancerous human tissue control. As described above, these data demonstrate that the PRO polypeptides of the present invention are useful not only as diagnostic markers for the presence of one or more cancerous tumors, but also serve as therapeutic targets for the treatment of those tumors.

Table 8

	<u>Molecule</u>	<u>is overexpressed in:</u>	<u>as compared to:</u>
	PRO177	breast tumor	universal normal control
30	PRO177	liver tumor	universal normal control
	PRO177	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO3574	breast tumor	universal normal control
	PRO3574	colon tumor	matched normal colon control
	PRO1280	breast tumor	universal normal control
35	PRO1280	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4984	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4988	colon tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4988	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO305	lung tumor	universal normal control
40	PRO305	colon tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1866	prostate tumor	universal normal control

Table 8 (cont')

	<u>Molecule</u>	<u>is overexpressed in:</u>	<u>as compared to:</u>
	PRO1866	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1866	colon tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4996	breast tumor	universal normal control
5	PRO4996	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4406	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4406	colon tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1120	colon tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1120	breast tumor	universal normal control
10	PRO1120	rectal tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4990	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO738	cervical tumor	universal normal control
	PRO738	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO738	breast tumor	universal normal control
15	PRO3577	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1879	breast tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1879	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1879	colon tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1471	lung tumor	universal normal control
20	PRO1076	prostate tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1483	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4985	rectal tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4985	colon tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4985	breast tumor	universal normal control
25	PRO4985	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO5000	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1881	liver tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1881	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1881	breast tumor	universal normal control
30	PRO4314	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4314	breast tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4987	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4313	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4313	breast tumor	universal normal control
35	PRO4799	colon tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4995	liver tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4995	colon tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4995	colon tumor	matched normal colon control
	PRO1341	prostate tumor	universal normal control
40	PRO1341	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1341	colon tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1341	colon tumor	matched normal colon control
	PRO1777	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1777	colon tumor	matched normal colon control
45	PRO3580	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO3580	prostate tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1779	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1779	colon tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1779	cervical tumor	universal normal control
50	PRO1754	breast tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1754	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1906	breast tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1906	colon tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1906	prostate tumor	universal normal control
55	PRO1870	breast tumor	universal normal control

Table 8 (cont.)

	<u>Molecule</u>	<u>is overexpressed in:</u>	<u>as compared to:</u>
	PRO4329	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4979	colon tumor	universal normal control
5	PRO1885	rectal tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1885	colon tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1885	colon tumor	matched normal colon control
	PRO1882	prostate tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1882	lung tumor	universal normal control
10	PRO1882	colon tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1882	breast tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1882	cervical tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4989	rectal tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4989	breast tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4989	colon tumor	matched normal colon control
15	PRO4989	colon tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4323	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4323	liver tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1886	breast tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1886	lung tumor	universal normal control
20	PRO1886	rectal tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4395	colon tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4395	prostate tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4395	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4395	cervical tumor	universal normal control
25	PRO1782	colon tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1782	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4388	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4341	breast tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4341	lung tumor	universal normal control
30	PRO3438	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4321	breast tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4321	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4321	colon tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4304	breast tumor	universal normal control
35	PRO4304	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4403	colon tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4403	breast tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4403	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4324	lung tumor	universal normal control
40	PRO4324	breast tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4303	cervical tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4303	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4303	breast tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4303	colon tumor	universal normal control
45	PRO4303	prostate tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4305	breast tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4305	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4305	colon tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4305	liver tumor	universal normal control
50	PRO4404	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4404	breast tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4404	rectal tumor	universal normal control
	PRO1884	lung tumor	universal normal control
	PRO4349	colon tumor	universal normal control
55	PRO4349	lung tumor	universal normal control